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The Nationalists have sufficient rails and sleepers in Hanchou (117-16, 34-18) to rebuild completely the Tientsin-Pukow Railway line from Tanghai (117-14, 35-08) north to Tangchiachuang (116-52, 36-37). The Communists have completely destroyed this part of the line, including the roadbed. The Nationalists still expect to use the Chiaochi line material for the northern portion, since Tsingtao railway officials will not even discuss the Chiaochi line until the Tientsin-Pukow line is functioning. A railroad official in Tainan has stated that if the Nationalists could gain control of the line, they would have it operating within four to six weeks despite the many bridges that must be rebuilt.

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